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--According to one aspect, the present invention provides a method of removing fouling materials from the surface of a plurality of porous membranes arranged in a membrane module, the porous membranes forming an array, the module having a header wherein said membranes are mounted, the header connected to a source of pressurized gas, the method comprising providing, through the header, gas bubbles in a uniform distribution relative to the porous membrane array such that said bubbles move past the surfaces of said membranes to dislodge fouling materials therefrom, said membranes being arranged in close proximity to one another and mounted to prevent excessive movement therebetween. The porous membranes may comprise hollow fibre membranes. Preferably, the fibre membranes are arranged in bundles surrounded by a perforated cage which serves to prevent said excessive movement therebetween.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 8:

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--According to a second aspect, the present invention provides a membrane module comprising a plurality of porous membranes, said membranes being arranged in close proximity to one another and mounted to prevent excessive movement therebetween, the membranes forming an array, the module having a header wherein said membranes are mounted, the header connected to a source of pressurized gas so as to permit formation of, gas bubbles such that, in use, said gas moves through said header, and said bubbles move past the surfaces of said membranes to dislodge fouling materials therefrom.--

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 15:

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--The gas bubbles may be provided from within the module by a variety of methods including gas distribution holes or openings in the header, a porous tube located within the module or a tube or tubes positioned to output gas within the module, the tubes may be in the form of a comb of tubes. Another method of providing gas bubbles includes creating gas in-situ by means of spark type ozone generators or the like. Further types of gas provision are detailed below and in the preferred embodiments of the invention.--

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15b is a top section view of the comb of tubes along Section A-A. Figure 15c is a top isometric view of the comb of tubes.

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Figure 16 shows a module incorporating a porous sheet through which pressurized gas is supplied to provide gas bubbles.--